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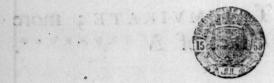
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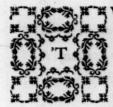


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I.



W A S, now, the witching Time of Night!

When Church-Yards yawn, and ev'ry Sprite,

Glides forth to purer Air;

St. Paul's with folemn-fwinging Roar,

Groan'd out the tedious Midnight Hour,

And hush'd the Sons of Care.

II.

When, fick with Thoughts (tho' not of State)
But fuch as haunt the GUILTY GREAT,
And watchful Centry keep;

N****** flarting from Repose,
Cries, while he fnatches up his Cloaths,
That Byng bas murder'd Sleep.

III.

" Ah! what avails ill-gotten Wealth,

" Or Patents gain'd by Power or Stealth,

" For Honours yet to come?

" Balm of burt Minds, Sore Nature's Bath,

"In vain, I call! You shun my Path;

"Nay, fly my inmost Room!

IV.

" Soft, 'twas a Dream! They nought avail--

"But ah! Who's there, that looks fo pale,

" So bloody, and fo wan?

" Why do you shake your Locks at me?

"You cannot fay 'tis I---'twas he! "Oh! think I am but Man.

V

"Why should you point at me alone?

" From a large Number, I'm but One,

"Leave me, and seek the Rest!

" Hide me ye Pines! Ye Cedars bide!

" Ye Mountains cover me, he cry'd,

" The Arrow's in my Breast".

VI.

Trembling! yet forc'd, thro' Guilt to yield;
Like the vile Wretch, in *Bofworth* Field,
He cries---Have Mercy Heaven!
But Pray'r no kind Relief affords;
For Courtier's Pray'rs are like their Words:
Forgot, as foon as giv'n.

VII.

At length, o'erwhelm'd with guilty Grief;

(For Penitence wou'd yield Relief,

If THAT, He ever knew;)

He funk, in filent Horror, down!

Chang'd ev'ry Question to a Groan,

The Lamp now burning blue.

VIII.

- "Too well you know me, fays the Sprite!
- "Too well you guess the Hour of Night;
 "For any welcome Form:
- " My Life I have refign'd with Eafe,
- "But, mark! My Blood will not appeafe,
 "Nor Britain's Sorrows charm.

IX.

- " Think you, while barrow'd thus thro' fear
- "With that ungrateful, treach'rous Peer,
- "Whose Steps my Father led;
 "Think you that human Schemes thus sly,
- 'Can blind great Heav'ns all-seeing Eye,
 - " By my devoted Head?

X.

- "Ah! no, --- let one short Summer pass,
- " And Truth shall hold her honest Glass,
 - "While Error hides her Face;
- "Truth then shall fix a giddy Throng,
- "And Juftice like an Army ftrong,
 "Shall heal my foul Difgrace."

XI.

- " Think you the Wounds, a Sentence gave,
- "Gall'd like the Stabs each pension'd Slave,
 - " On my dear Honour prest;
- " Proud, as if I in Battle fell,
- "I shew my Scars---and heard the Knell
 "Which rung me to my Rest.

XII.

- " In this dark Closet, where you lie
- " On the bare Ground, and wish to die!
 "You know the Snare you laid;
- " Practis'd in Tricks and Arts of State,
- " Hapless! I fnatcht the glittering Bait,
 " To be a Victim made.

XIII.

- "Yes, I'll thus nightly make you fwoon,
- " By the pale Glimpses of the Moon:
 - " And shake what Peace remains:
- " Not DAMIEN's Stab shall so affright,
- " As my dread Figure, night by night,
 "'Till equal are your Pains.

XIV.

- " The Morning Cock, with lively Din,
- " Scatters the Rear of Darkness thin;
 - " And warns me to be gone!
- " To morrow you shall feel me more;
- " Nay tho' you barricade the Door,
 - " I'll come before 'tis One.

XV.

- " For, Oh! to morrow (at this Hour)
- "Others there are of fall'n Pow'r,
 - " Who will my Vifit rue;
- " My first will be in D----g-Street;
- "My next, where three Squares nearly meet, "The last I keep for you.

XVI.

- "Till, then --- while I, in Peace, depart!
- "Wake! with those Horrors o'er thy Heart,
 - " No Time, or Pomp, can cure!
- "And, while with ribbon'd Slaves you bow,
- " Tell, for their Sakes, why droops your Brow,
 " And I'll not haunt you more.

- XVII.
- " Else! I will, ceaseless, sting your Soul;
- " 'Till you repent, and clear the Whole
 - " To a Deluded * * * *;
- " Each Night, in Person, I'll appear!
- " Each Day, I'll Thunder in your Ear
 - " The Name of MURDER'D BYNG".

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